

Project Proposal

Proposal Title: Old Confidence Burn Lop and Scatter/Bullhog Treatment

Proposal Number: 1200

DWR Region: Southern Region

Lead Agency: DWR

County: Iron

Project Manager: Jason Nicholes

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Regional Priority: Within Focus Area

Project Type: Terrestrial Habitat

Proposed Start Date: 6/1/2008

Project Location: 6.5 miles SW of Atchison Creek Rd in Hamlin Valley on the SW Desert hunt unit.

Project Description: Improve 600 acres of Deer and Elk Habitat by Lop and Scatter and Bull Hog treatment of new growth pinion and Juniper in a previously burned area.

Description of Problem/Need: Surrounding area is dominated by Pinion and Juniper woodland. The project area was previously burned at an unknown date. The project area is being over-grown with young Pinion and Juniper. There is currently good sagebrush production and some grass, forb production on all of the project area. If project is not done we are at risk of letting this high priority elk and deer habitat return to older growth Pinion and Juniper forest which will provide little to no forage for either species.

Objectives: Objective is to maintain/increase wildlife forage and wildlife carrying capacity on the SW Desert Unit

Relevance to Strategic Plans: Project area is located in high use area for deer, a Tier III species in the WAP, and elk on the SW Desert Unit. Also seeks to restore shrubsteppe habitat, which is identified as a key habitat type in the WAP.

Potential Risks: Displacement of wildlife using the area currently

Proposed Methods: Young growth Pinion and Juniper will be remove by hand crews using chainsaws to Lop and Scatter trees in area were the Bull Hog cannot be used due to slope and terrain. Bull Hog should be used were it can be applied and in areas where larger trees need to be removed.

Shapefile Name: S:/DWR/HPD-2010/GIS Shape Files/1200.shp

Seed Source:

UPCD Reg Team Coord Date:

**Proposed
NEPA Action:**

**Proposed
Arch Action:**

☒ **Vegetation Monitoring** ☒ **Wildlife Monitoring**

Monitoring Information: Project area will be monitored twice per year following project implementation. A visual walk through survey will be done early spring and late summer for 3 years following project completion.

**Grazing
Management:**

SPECIES BENEFITING

Elk	Greater Sage-grouse	Mule Deer
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LAND OWNERSHIP

Owner	Acres
BLM	600
Total	600

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PROPOSED FUNDING

Source	Amount Requested	Date Approved	Amount Approved
Unfunded Balance	\$50,000.00		\$0.00
Totals	\$50,000.00		\$0.00

PROPOSED BUDGET

Item	Description	DWR Account	Partner Contrib.
Contractual Services	Lop and Scatter 200 acres @ \$100/acre	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
Materials and Supplies	Fuel and Maintenance for skid steer.	\$10,000.00	\$0.00
Personal Services	2 seasonal labor and truck miles 10 weeks X \$2000	\$20,000.00	\$0.00
	Totals	\$50,000.00	\$0.00

Project Map:

